

**MINUTES
CITY OF MILPITAS
SISTER CITIES COMMISSION**

Minutes: Meeting of Sister Cities Commission (SCC)
Date of Meeting: Wednesday, June 22, 2006
Place of Meeting: Milpitas City Hall, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd., Committee Meeting Rm.

I. Roll Chair Grilli called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Commissioners/Alternates Present: Chahal, Garcia, Grilli, Mateo, Swiger, Wan (Alternate, 7:20)
Commissioners Absent: Arefi, Arthur, McCarter (Alternate)
City Council Liaison Absent: Bob Livengood
MUSD Liaison Absent: Marsha Grilli

II. Alternates There were no Alternates present.

III. Pledge Chair Grilli led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Minutes **MOTION** to approve the Minutes of April 27, 2006.

M/S: Swiger/Grilli Ayes: Grilli, Mateo, Swiger
Abstain: Chahal, Garcia

MOTION to approve the Minutes of May 25, 2006

M/S: Swiger/Mateo Ayes: Grilli, Mateo, Swiger
Abstain: Chahal, Garcia

V. Agenda **MOTION** to approve the June 22, 2006 agenda.

M/S: Mateo/Swiger Ayes: All

VI. Announcements/Correspondence

Grilli and Mateo both announced they would not be able to attend the July Commission meeting. Maxwell indicated there were handouts for the Commission on the schedule of visits and budget status.

VII. Citizen's Forum

None attending.

VIII. Old Business

1. HUIZHOU CITY, CHINA: SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP

Chair Grilli reported that the Chamber of Commerce would provide a booth and coordinate the dates for the August visit from Huizhou. The Kiwanis are involved in an art donation. Chair Grilli will get additional information about the visit.

Commissioner Wan arrived at 7:20 p.m.

2. DAGUPAN CITY, PHILLIPINES: SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP

The Commission discussed the recent Dagupan visit and the upcoming visit from Mayor Lim. The evaluation results will be discussed at a future meeting.

3. TSUKUBA CITY, JAPAN: SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP

It was noted that the Milpitas visit to Tsukuba was underway and a further report would be provided at a future meeting. The Commission discussed the current and historic communication process and relationship between the two cities. Commissioner Wan described the general Asian perspective on protocol.

4. EUROPEAN SISTER CITY RESEARCH

It was noted that discussion on this item would continue to the next meeting when Commissioner Massoud is present to report on progress.

5. WEB SITE UPDATE

It was the consensus of the Commission to update the web page per staff's suggested changes. They also requested that there be a home page link to trip and host family applications two months before the submittal deadline.

General discussion followed about the number of student exchanges, interest in the Huizhou exchange this year and teacher interest in the trips.

XIII. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

No report.

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Sister City Relationships/Cultural Exchanges:
 - a. Tsukuba City, Japan
 - b. Dagupan City, Philippines
 - c. Huizhou City, China
2. European Sister City Research

X. Adjournment

No further business was discussed and the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled meeting on July 27, 2006.

MOTION to adjourn.

M/S: Garcia/Mateo Ayes: All

Respectfully Submitted,

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